

PROMISES KEPT AND PROGRESS MADE

TO BLACK MIAMI-DADE

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Miami-Dade's Black residents have played a critical role in both our community's history and our growth and development. So, we're proud to invest in our Black-owned businesses, work to preserve our Black history and architecture, and make major improvements to local infrastructure to ensure equitable outcomes for all.



Building More Housing

- Created a \$65 million funding source for affordable housing developers through the Building Blocks fund.
- Launched the HOMES Plan to address the housing affordability crisis.
 - This \$85 million program provides mortgage assistance to homeowners, and funding for local developers and landlords to expand the supply of affordable housing.
- Expanded the County's successful Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) which has helped more than 20,000 families remain in their homes.
- Increased the supply of affordable housing since 2020 with 32,000 new units in the housing pipeline.
- Preserved the remaining units of historic James E. Scott Homes and re-opened the units for families.
- Opened the first phase of development at Lincoln Gardens, a three-phase affordable housing community in Brownsville.



Strengthening Trust & Public Safety

- Reduced the number of violent crimes in Miami-Dade County through expanded community policing.
- Implemented the Peace and Prosperity Plan to provide a strategic prevention, intervention, and re-entry approach to public safety that prioritizes families and communities.
- Created a youth employment program that provides paid work experience for youth in zip codes most impacted by gun violence.
- Established the Office of Neighborhood Safety to lead the County's coordinated approach to creating safe communities.
- Established the Safe in the 305 Grant program to fund local solutions to community safety.
- Funded the establishment of the Independent Civilian Panel to improve police and community relations.



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Connecting Communities Through Transportation

- Adopted a fully-funded plan for the development of the North Corridor Rail project.
- Began construction on the South Dade Bus Rapid Transit corridor.
- Purchased more than sixty new electric buses to operate on the South Dade Bus Rapid Transit Corridor to reduce pollution and improve amenities for transit riders.



Growing Black Business Support

- Launched the inaugural “Black Owned Business Month” in Miami-Dade County in partnership with the Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust to promote local Black businesses.
- Created the Strive305 small business support program to provide access to capital and business services to small businesses.
- Funded the Larcenia Bullard Plaza small business innovation center in Richmond Heights.
- Launched the BizUp program to provide grants of \$50,000 and \$100,000 to emerging small businesses.
- Funded Scale Up 305, a small business incubator operated by the Haitian American Chamber of Commerce.
- Initiated a Procurement Disparity Study to chart a path toward more inclusion in County contracting. The study will be completed in 2023.
- Implemented Purpose Driven Procurement to reform County contracting to prioritize small and local businesses in the County’s supply chain.



Preserving Black Institutions and Embracing Black Voices

- Increased the budget for the Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust and hired economic development expert Bill Diggs as executive director.
- Awarded \$1 million to the Historic Hampton House to preserve the history of the state’s only remaining Green Book Hotel.
- Allocated \$5 million to preserve the historic Carver Theater and expand affordable housing.
- Funded the South Dade Black History Center at the Larcenia Bullard Plaza in Richmond Heights.
- Completed renovations of the African Heritage Cultural Arts Center in Liberty City.
- Conducted more than 30 community town halls to receive input on the Fiscal Year 2022-23 County Budget.
- Launched the Heritage Survey through the Office of Historic Preservation to review historic locations and buildings to preserve our shared civic memory.

